

Puget Sound Ecosystem Coordination Board and Leadership Council Decision Schedule for the Updated Action Agenda and Biennial Science Work Plan

February 2, 2011

In 2011, the Partnership will set recovery targets for Puget Sound, update the Action Agenda and Biennial Science Work Plan. Your participation will be critical to the success of these documents.

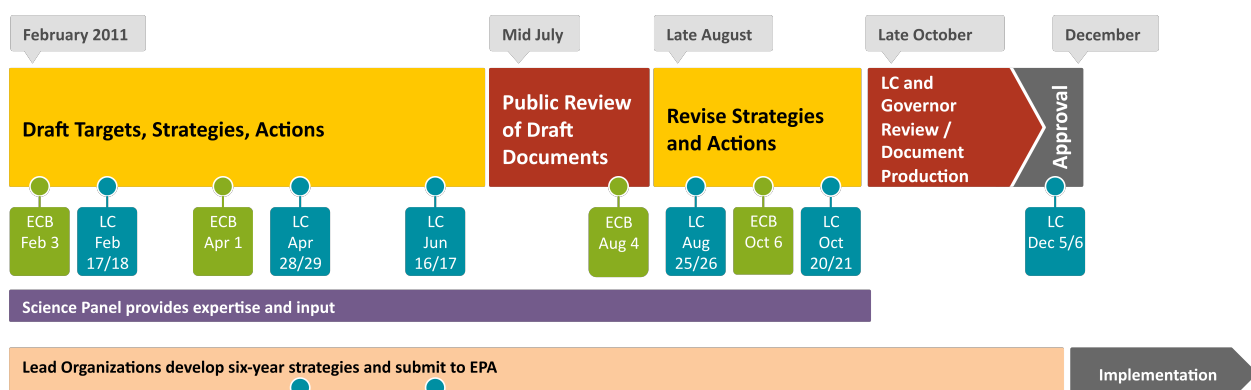
The Leadership Council and the Ecosystem Coordination Board will be actively engaged in reviewing materials related to recovery targets and setting targets:

- Draft targets and strategies and actions will be discussed with the Ecosystem Coordination Board in **February** and **April**.
- Two targets will be approved by the Leadership Council in February. A complete set of recovery targets will be approved by the Leadership Council in **June**. The Leadership Council will also discuss the draft strategies update prior to release for comment.
- Drafts of documents will be made available for public review in **July**.
- In **August, September, and October**, the Partnership will work with the Ecosystem Coordination Board and Leadership Council, as well as with stakeholders to refine the draft documents.
- The updates will be approved by Leadership Council in **December**.

The Science Panel will also be actively engaged in this update process. For the draft documents, the Science Panel will work closely with Partnership staff to update and prioritize Action Agenda strategies and actions, provide input into the target setting, and serve as a scientific review for the Biennial Science Work Plan. Following the public comment period, the Science Panel will provide guidance to resolve comments from the public and key Partnership stakeholders, and will approve the Biennial Science Work Plan before it goes to the Leadership Council for review and approval.

Lead Organizations as identified and funded by EPA will have significant involvement in the updates. Lead Organizations will provide technical expertise to the target setting process and strategic advice and input to development of overall strategies and actions. The Lead Organization required six-year strategies will align with and support those that are in the Action Agenda.

An overview of the decision and document development timeline is provided below, and a detailed decision schedule for the Ecosystem Coordination Board and Leadership Council is provided on the following page.



Detailed Meeting and Decision Schedule – 2011

In Progress

January <p><i>January 11: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>January 31: Cross-Partnership Advisory Group Meeting (other meetings to be scheduled)</i></p>	July <p><i>July 15-August 26: Public review of Action Agenda and Biennial Science Work Plan. (Timing TBD to sync with the LO six year strategy)</i></p> <p><i>July 12: Science Panel Meeting</i></p>
February <p><i>February 3: Ecosystem Coordination Board provides input on Action Agenda outline and reviews recovery targets for shellfish beds reopened and eelgrass.</i></p> <p><i>February 7: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>February 17-18: Leadership Council provides input on Action Agenda outline and approves recovery targets for shellfish beds reopened and eelgrass.</i></p> <p><i>All Month: Focused outreach to key stakeholders</i></p>	August <p><i>August 5: Ecosystem Coordination Board hears about comment themes so far from public review process and provides input/direction on issue resolution, and discusses local strategies.</i></p> <p><i>August 9: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>August 25-26: Leadership Council hears about comment themes from public review process and provides input/direction on issue resolution, and discusses local strategies.</i></p>
March <p><i>March 8-9: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>All Month: Focused outreach to key stakeholders</i></p>	September <p><i>September 13-14: Science Panel Meeting</i></p>
April <p><i>April 1: Ecosystem Coordination Board reviews all recovery targets and provides input on emerging strategies.</i></p> <p><i>April 12: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>April 28-29: Leadership Council reviews all recovery targets and provides input on emerging strategies.</i></p> <p><i>All Month: Focused outreach to key stakeholders; work in Action Areas on tailored strategies and actions</i></p>	October <p><i>October 6: Ecosystem Coordination Board provides input/direction on issue resolution, and gives input on a draft prioritized list of actions.</i></p> <p><i>October 11: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>October 20-21: Leadership Council provides input/direction on issue resolution and gives input on draft prioritized list of actions.</i></p> <p><i>October 26-November 9: Leadership Council reviews final draft documents.</i></p> <p><i>October 26-November 9: Governor's office reviews final draft documents.</i></p>
May <p><i>May 10-11: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>All Month: Focused outreach to key stakeholders; work in Action Areas on tailored strategies and actions</i></p>	November <p><i>November 8: Science Panel Meeting</i></p> <p><i>November 16-November 28: Final edits, copy editing, and document production.</i></p>
June <p><i>June 16-17: Leadership Council adopts recovery targets and reviews draft Action Agenda and Biennial Science Work Plan prior to public review.</i></p> <p><i>June 22: Science Panel Meeting</i></p>	December <p><i>December 5-6: Leadership Council approves final Action Agenda and Biennial Science Work Plan.</i></p>